

# 2018 International Hernia Congress

Monday, March 12, 2018

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7:00 - 8:00	Registration & Breakfast
8:00 - 10:30	<b>Session 1: State of the Union</b> Moderators: Gina Adrales, MD, MPH & Salvador Morales-Conde, MD, PhD
8:00 - 8:10	<b>Opening Remarks</b> Gina Adrales, MD, MPH
8:10 - 8:25	<b>AHS: Innovation and adoption of new technology in abdominal wall reconstruction - What to keep and when to let go?</b> B. Todd Heniford, MD
8:25 - 8:40	<b>APHS: Hernia essentials and the academic mission of the APHS</b> Anil Sharma, MS, FICS
8:40 - 8:55	<b>AHS: State of open ventral hernia repair - Have we come full circle?</b> Michael Rosen, MD
8:55 - 9:10	<b>EHS: Hernia prevention - Are we doing enough?</b> Filip Muysoms, MD, PhD
9:10 - 9:25	<b>EHS Presidential Address: Brief history of EHS and a path forward</b> Giampiero Campanelli, Prof.
9:25 - 9:30	<b>Introduction of EHS President</b> Diego Cuccurullo, MD
9:30 - 9:55	<b>EHS General Secretary Address: State of laparoscopic hernia repair - Concept behind minimally invasive repair and future directions in laparoscopy</b> Salvadore Morales-Conde, MD, PhD
9:55 - 10:00	<b>Introduction of AHS President</b> Gina Adrales, MD, MPH
10:00 - 10:25	<b>AHS Presidential Address</b> Alfredo Carbonell, DO
10:25 - 10:30	<b>Recognition of EHS and AHS Presidents</b> Diego Cuccurullo, MD & Gina Adrales, MD, MPH

10:30 - 11:00	Break & Exhibits/Poster Presentations				
11:00 - 12:30	<b>Session 2A: Outcomes in Hernia Healthcare Disparity Research</b> Moderators: Dana Telem, MD & Diego Cuccurullo, MD	11:00 - 12:30	<b>Session 2B: Hernia, Skin and Soft Tissue and Plastic Surgery Considerations</b> Moderators: Jeffrey Janis, MD & Giampiero Campanelli, MD	11:00 - 12:30	<b>Session 2C: Scientific Abstracts</b> Moderators: William Hope, MD & Jean François Gillion, MD
11:00 - 11:15	Award recipient presentation: Health care disparity Joceline Vu, MD	11:00 - 11:15	Seoma: Prevention and treatment Jeffrey Janis, MD	11:00 - 11:15	First long-term results reported on prophylactic mesh closure of midline laparotomies Carlos San Miguel Méndez, MD, PhD
11:15 - 11:30	Award recipient presentation: Female factors in hernia Melanie Howell, MD	11:15 - 11:30	Soft tissue infection after hernia repair: Prevention and treatment Alastair Windsor, MD	11:15 - 11:30	Cost-effectiveness of using mesh augmentation for incisional hernia prevention in colorectal surgery José Antonio Pereira, MD, PhD
11:30 - 11:45	Racial disparities in surgical outcomes and predictors of emergency hernia repair Adil Haider, MD	11:30 - 11:50	Rectus diastasis: View from a plastic surgeon and MIS surgeon Maurice Nahabedian, MD & Flavio Malcher, MD	11:30 - 11:45	Prophylactice absorbable synthetic mesh (ASM) does not prevent hernia after deep inferior epigastric perforator (DIEP) flap breast reconstruction Michael Arnold, MD
11:45 - 12:00	Gender differences in patient reported and clinical outcomes after hernia repair Nadia Henriksen, MD	11:50 - 12:05	Patient selection for combined abdominoplasty and ventral hernia repair John Fischer, MD	11:45 - 12:00	Treatment and prevention of parastomal hernias by bilateral transverse abdominis release and relocation of the ostomy: The new way to go? Frederik Berrevoet, MD, PhD
12:00 - 12:10	Inclusivity and non-discrimination advisory council presentation Advisory Council & Gina Adrales, MD, MPH	12:05 - 12:20	Bulge and hernia after breast reconstruction Antonio Espinosa de los Monteros, MD	12:00 - 12:15	A survey on attitudes and knowledge relating to hernia prevention William Hope, MD
12:10 - 12:30	Panel Q&A	12:20 - 12:30	Panel Q&A	12:15 - 12:30	An evaluation of the use of prophylactic mesh augmentation of ileal conduit formation Paul Tenzel, MD
12:30 - 1:30	Lunch & Learns				
1:45 - 3:45	<b>Session 3A: Controversies in Inguinal Hernia</b> Moderators: Sharon Bachman, MD & Maarten Simons, MD	1:45 - 3:45	<b>Session 3B: Paraesophageal and Parastomal and Parapubic</b> Moderators: Kristi Harold, MD & José Antonio Pereira, MD	1:45 - 3:45	<b>Session 3C: Scientific Abstracts - Ventral Hernia</b> Moderators: Guy Voeller, MD & Jérôme Loriau, MD
1:45 - 2:00	Which technique should I use? Best practices and high-value care Jaap Bonjer, MD, PhD	1:45 - 2:00	Mesh repair of hiatal hernia: When, how, why? Dieter Birk, MD, PhD	1:45 - 2:00	Efficacy of robotic transversus abdominis release in a porcine model Jeffrey Blatnik, MD
2:00 - 2:15	Penetrance of laparoscopic inguinal hernia repair Agneta Montgomery, MD	2:00 - 2:15	Repair of the difficult hiatus: re-do, s/p esophagectomy, bridging repair Kristi Harold, MD	2:00 - 2:15	Automated surgical coaching for technical skills acquisition in incisional hernia repair Gina Adrales, MD, MPH

2:15 - 2:30	Techniques for avoiding and treating chronic groin pain after hernia repair David Chen, MD	2:15 - 2:30	Laparoscopic and robotic outcomes for PEH repair +/- fundoplication/gastropexy James Bittner, MD	2:15 - 2:30	Pre-operative CT-scan variables for predicting complications in patients undergoing large ventral hernia repair using the component separation technique Harm Winters, BSc
2:30 - 2:45	Value of primary inguinal hernia repair Joachim Conze, MD, PhD	2:30 - 2:45	Lumbar hernia and denervation of the abdominal wall Yohann Renard, MD	2:30 - 2:45	Is nonoperative management warranted in ventral hernia patients with comorbidities? A 3 year follow up Karla Bernardi, MD
2:45 - 3:00	Laparoscopic internal ligation Binggen Li, MD	2:45 - 3:00	Parapubic and atypically located ventral hernias David Webb, MD	2:45 - 3:00	Visceral obesity as a predictor of hernia recurrence after abdominal wall reconstruction Niklas Nygaard Baastrup, BSc.Med
3:00 - 3:15	Single-port robotic TAPP Diego Cuccurullo, MC	3:00 - 3:15	Parastomal hernia repair: Intraperitoneal and laparoscopic and robotic techniques Igor Belyansky, MD	3:00 - 3:15	Hybrid robotic assisted transversus abdominis release is associated with a significantly decreased length of stay without increased complications compared to open transversus abdominis release in patients with large ventral hernias Joshua Halka, MD
3:15 - 3:30	The difficult inguinal hernia: Scrotal, prior plug, prior lap and open repair Tomas Bureš, MUDr	3:15 - 3:30	Parastomal hernia repair: Open retromuscular and onlay techniques Eric Pauli, MD	3:15 - 3:30	Expansion methods for midline closure of the abdominal wall in cases of loss of domain ventral or incisional hernia Susanne van der Velde, MD, PhD
3:30 - 3:45	Panel Q&A	3:30 - 3:45	Panel Q&A	3:30 - 3:45	Rives-stoppa vs Ramirez vs TAR: An anatomical study comparing anterior components separation and transverse abdominis release Dimitri Sneiders, MD
3:45 - 4:15	Break & Exhibits/Poster Presentations				
4:15 - 5:30	<b>Session 4A: Ventral Hernia Repair</b> Moderators: Vedra Augenstein, MD & Flavio Malcher, MD	4:15 - 5:30	<b>Session 4B: What would you do? Expert Panel</b> Moderators: Igor Belyansky, MD & Salvador Morales-Conde, MD, PhD <b>Panel:</b> Pierluigi Ipponi, MD, Yuri Novitsky, MD, Diego Cuccurullo, MD, Sergio Roll, MD & Alfredo Carbonell, DO	4:15 - 5:30	<b>Session 4C: Video Abstracts - Inguinal</b> Moderators: David Earle, MD & Leandro Totti Cavazzola, MD, PhD
4:15 - 4:30	Components separation: Which technique and when? Andrew Wright, MD	4:15 - 4:30	Case 1: Acute strangulation with loss of domain	4:15 - 4:30	Delayed diagnosis and laparoscopic repair of a traumatic diaphragmatic hernia Jane Keating, MD
4:30 - 4:45	MILOS and eMILOS Wolfgang Reinpold, MD, PhD	4:30 - 4:45	Case 2: Recurrence after components separation	4:30 - 4:45	Robotic giant prosthetic reinforcement of the visceral sac: An innovative technique for minimally invasive repair of inguinal hernias Joshua Halka, MD
4:45 - 5:00	Revisiting onlay ventral hernia repair: Patient selection, technique and outcomes Guy Voeller, MD	4:45 - 5:00	Case 3: Fourth inguinal hernia recurrence with scrotal component after open and laparoscopic repair	4:45 - 5:00	Laparoscopic approach of incarcerated femoral hernia with acute appendicitis (garangeot) Marcelo Furtado, MD, PhD
5:00 - 5:15	The value of laparoscopic versus open incisional hernia repair David Krpata, MD	5:00 - 5:15	Case 4: Large hiatal hernia after esophagectomy	5:00 - 5:15	Robotic repair of incarcerated pelvic kidney in inguinal hernia Chad Copper, MD

5:15 - 5:30	Care of the hernia in the morbidly obese patient Kent Kercher, MD	5:15 - 5:30	Case 5: Flank/lumbar hernia in immunosuppressed patient	5:15 - 5:30	Laparoscopic large inguinal hernia repair in children Guo Jiantong, MB
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5:30 - 7:00	Opening Reception				
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## Tuesday, March 13, 2018

6:30 - 7:30	Breakfast & Learns				
7:45 - 10:30	<b>Session 5: Collaborative Hernia Research and Quality Improvement around the Globe</b> Michael Rosen, MD, Salvadore Morales-Conde, MD, PhD & Changfu Qin, MD, PhD				
7:45 - 8:00	<i>Hernia, The World Journal of Hernia and Abdominal Wall Surgery</i> : Leading the way in hernia repair - Updates from the Editorial Board Marc Miserez, MD				
8:00 - 8:15	AHSQC: Innovative collaboration of surgeons, patients, industry and the FDA Benjamin Poulouse, MD, MPH				
8:15 - 8:30	Inguinal hernia repair: Toward Asian guidelines Davide Lomanto, MD, PhD				
8:30 - 8:45	Implementation of HerniaSurge guidelines Maciej Pawlak, MD, PhD				
8:45 - 9:00	Germany: The importance of registries in the postmarketing surveillance of surgical meshes Ferdinand Köckerling, MD				
9:00 - 9:15	Swedish registry: Improving patient outcomes Gabriel Sandblom, MD, PhD				
9:15 - 9:30	Innovation and quality in Brazil Sergio Roll, MD, PhD				
9:30 - 9:45	Canadian experience: Cost containment while minimizing risk Dennis Klassen, MD				
9:45 - 10:00	Quality Collaborative in Australia Harsha Chan Draratna, MBBS, FRACS				
10:00 - 10:15	Chinese hernia registry: Scientific rigor and quality improvement in a populous nation Changfu Qin, MD, PhD				
10:15 - 10:30	Improving quality of care in the developing world Charles Filipi, MD				

10:30 - 11:00	Break & Exhibits/Poster Presentations				
11:00 - 12:30	<b>Session 6A: Specialized Abdominal Wall Care and Outcomes</b> Moderators: Bruce Ramshaw, MD & Maarten Simons, MD	11:00 - 12:30	<b>Session 6B: Advances in Biomaterials</b> Moderators: Jeffrey Blatnik, MD & Agneta Montgomery, MD	11:00 - 12:30	<b>Session 6C: Scientific Abstracts</b> Moderators: Charles Filipi, MD & Wolfgang Reinpold, MD
11:00 - 11:15	The giant scrotal hernia Julio Beitler, MD, MS	11:00 - 11:15	Resorbable biosynthetic mesh: Indications and limitations Jeffrey Blatnik, MD	11:00 - 11:15	It matters: Surgeon volume in ventral hernia repair in New York state Andrew Bates, MD
11:15 - 11:30	Pubic inguinal pain syndrome or sports hernia: An update on anatomic etiology Giampiero Campanelli, Prof.	11:15 - 11:30	The use of laparoscopy and biological mesh in clean ventral hernia repair Marc Miserez, MD	11:15 - 11:30	Litigation claims following laparoscopic and open inguinal hernia repairs Rebecca Varley, MBChB
11:30 - 11:45	Laparoscopic approaches to chronic pain in athletes Aali Sheen, MD, FRCS	11:30 - 11:45	Adhesion barrier prosthetics: Limitations and comparative analysis Jie Chen, MD, PhD	11:30 - 11:45	The impact of hospital volume on clinical and economic outcomes in ventral hernia repair: An analysis with national policy implications Anmol Chattha, BA
11:45 - 12:00	Giant ventral hernia with loss of domain: Progressive pneumoperitoneum and botox Frederik Berrevoet, MD, PhD	11:45 - 12:00	Recalled mesh: What happened? What can we learn? Bruce Ramshaw, MD	11:45 - 12:00	Cost evaluation of enhanced recovery after surgery protocol for open ventral hernia repair Christopher Harryman, BS
12:00 - 12:15	Laparoscopic management of mesh related complications after inguinal hernia repair Zhenling Ji, MD, PhD	12:00 - 12:15	Patient specific mesh: The new frontier Neil Smart, MBBS, FRCSEd	12:00 - 12:15	External validation of the European Hernia Society classification for postoperative complications after incisional hernia repair - A cohort study of 2,191 patients Leonard Kroese, MD
12:15 - 12:30	Pregnancy and risk of ventral hernia repair recurrence Kristian Kiim Jensen, MD, PhD	12:15 - 12:30	Panel Q&A	12:15 - 12:30	Factors predictive of the development of surgical site infection of hernia surgery - An analysis of the NSQIP database John McNelis, MD
12:30 - 1:30	Lunch & Learns				
1:45 - 3:45	<b>Session 7A: Robotic Hernia Repair</b> Moderators: Anthony Gonzalez, MD & Leandro Totti Cavazzola, MD, PhD	1:45 - 3:45	<b>Session 7B: Rapid Fire Scientific Abstracts</b> Moderators: Brent Matthews, MD & Jan Kukleta, MD	1:45 - 3:45	<b>Session 7C: Scientific Abstracts</b> Moderators: Matthew Goldblatt, MD & Nele Van De Winkel, MD
1:45 - 2:00	Robotic skills acquisition: What is the best approach? Conrad Ballecer, MD	1:45 - 1:56	Outcome differences following incisional herniorrhaphy in older patients: An AHSQC analysis Justin Doble, MD	1:45 - 2:00	Effect of transversus abdominis plane (TAP) block versus thoracic epidural analgesia (TEA) on length of stay and inpatient narcotic use following open transversus abdominis release (TAR) Jared McAllister, MD

2:00 - 2:15	Robotic inguinal Ajita Prabhu, MD	1:57 - 2:08	Wound dehiscence following general surgical laparotomy: Development of a predictive model using the NSQIP data set Matthew Burstein, MD, PhD	2:00 - 2:15	Negative pressure wound therapy (NWPT) decreases surgical site infections after open ventral hernia repair (VHR) in patients with methicillin-resistant staphylococcus aureus (MRSA) Katherine Poruk, MD
2:15 - 2:30	Robotic IPOM and extraperitoneal ventral hernia repair Filip Muysoms, MD, PhD	2:09 - 2:20	Comparison of absorbable and nonabsorbable tack fixation in laparoscopic ventral hernia using the AHSQC Jordan Bilezikian, MD	2:15 - 2:30	Contamination does not increase risk for recurrence in complex ventral hernia repair with synthetic mesh Charlotte Young, BA
2:30 - 2:45	Robotic retromuscular Ricardo Abdalla, MD, PhD	2:21 - 2:32	Prophylactic mesh placement to avoid stoma related hernias: A systematic review Sebastiaan van Steensel, MD	2:30 - 2:45	Prevention of incisional hernias after midline laparotomy with prophylactic mesh reinforcement: A meta-analysis and trial sequential analysis An Jairam, MD
2:45 - 3:00	Robotic transversus abdominis release Alfredo Carbonell, DO	2:33 - 2:44	Comparative analysis of perioperative outcomes of robotic versus laparoscopic transversus abdominis release (TAR) Zachary Sanford, MD	2:45 - 3:00	New atomotic finding in pubic inguinal pain syndrome Marta Cavalli, MD
3:00 - 3:15	Talking with hospitals, payers, and patients: Economics and value of robotic hernia repair Daniel Marcus, MD	2:45 - 2:56	Evaluating the use of nerve blocks in abdominal wall reconstruction Michael Lew, MD	3:00 - 3:15	Core stability following complex abdominal wall construction requiring transversus abdominis muscle release: Are we doing more harm than good? Ivy Haskins, MD
3:15 - 3:30	The laparoscopic equivalent: Lap eTEP, Lap AWR Igor Belyansky, MD	2:57 - 3:08	Gender disparity in hernia surgery research Karla Bernardi, MD	3:15 - 3:30	Volumetric analysis of patients undergoing abdominal wall reconstruction after preoperative progressive pneumoperitoneum John Allen, MD
3:30 - 3:45	Current evidence for robotic hernia repair and best practice Sharon Bachman, MD	3:09 - 3:20	Global consensus on the international guidelines on groin hernia management Nadine Van Veenendaal, MD, MSc, DMCC	3:30 - 3:45	Direct visualization tap block are superior to ultrasound-guided tap blocks Justin Doble, MD
		3:21 - 3:32	Perioperative blood transfusions increase the risk of surgical site infections in ventral hernia repairs Joseph Helm, MD		
		3:33 - 3:45	Evaluation of porcine dermal collagen and polypropylene meshes in an infected field Wen Hui Tan, MD		
3:45 - 4:15	Break & Exhibits/Poster Presentations				
4:15 - 5:30	<b>Session 8A: Hernia Repair and Innovation</b> Moderators: Yuri Novitsky, MD & Francesco Gossetti, MD	4:15 - 5:30	<b>Session 8B: Video Abstracts</b> Moderators: David Webb, MD & Jie Chen, MD, PhD	4:15 - 5:30	<b>Session 8C: Resident and Young Faculty Development</b> Moderators: David Krpata, MD & Reinhard Bittner, MD
4:15 - 4:30	Sutureless repair René Fortelny, MD	4:15 - 4:30	Laparoscopic repair of recurrent parastomal hernia after abdominal wall reconstruction with bilateral transversus abdominis release (TAR) Emanuele Lo Menzo, MD, PhD	4:15 - 4:30	Infiltrating research funding: A guide to grant funding from local sources up to the NIH Hobart Harris, MD, MPH

4:30 - 4:45	Is there a future for abdominal wall transplantation in complex hernia patients? Nele Van De Winkel, MD	4:30 - 4:45	Petit hernia - Open approach for flank hernia repair Luciano Guilherme Tastaldi, MD	4:30 - 4:45	Work life balance: Executing on all fronts Jacob Greenberg, MD, EdM
4:45 - 5:00	Autologous augmentation with filtered platelet concentrate Dana Telem, MD	4:45 - 5:00	Nebulized cyanoacrylate for prostheses fixation in retromuscular rives type eventroplasty. Usefulness of MRI-visible meshes for safety and effectiveness control Providencia García-Pastor, MD	4:45 - 5:00	Becoming a masterful educator: The art of providing feedback Matthew Goldblatt, MD
5:00 - 5:15	Peritoneal flap technique in abdominal wall reconstruction obviates the need for component separation Andrew de Beaux, MD	5:00 - 5:15	Delayed diagnosis and laparoscopic repair of a traumatic diaphragmatic hernia Jane Keating, MD	5:00 - 5:15	Leadership skills to establish a solid foundation for the future Brent Matthews, MD
5:15 - 5:30	Panel Q&A	5:15 - 5:30	Video-assisted surgical abdominal intercostal hernia approach Claudio Renato P.De Luca Filho, MD	5:15 - 5:30	What an expert has to say to a young surgeon in abdominal wall surgery? Reinhard Bittner, MD
5:30 - 6:30	Student, Resident and Fellow Meet and Greet (SPONSORED)				

## Wednesday, March 14, 2018

6:30 - 7:30	Breakfast & Learns
7:45 - 10:30	<b>Session 9: Hernia Prevention</b> Moderators: William Hope, MD & Cesare Stabilini, MD
7:45 - 8:00	The importance of standardized fascial closure Johannes Jeekel, MD
8:00 - 8:15	Hernia prevention and management: What is important to patients? Hobart Harris, MD, MPH
8:15 - 8:30	Prophylaxis of incisional hernias during emergent laparotomy José Antonio Pereira, MD, PhD
8:30 - 8:45	Panel Q&A
8:45 - 9:00	Value of hernia prevention John Fischer, MD, MPH
9:00 - 9:15	Parastomal hernia prevention Manuel López Cano, MD, PhD
9:15 - 9:30	Prevention of incisional hernia with biologic mesh Cesare Stabilini, MD, PhD

9:30 - 9:45	Prophylaxis of incisional hernias after non-midline incisions Miguel Ángel García Ureña, MD, PhD				
9:45 - 10:00	Panel Q&A				
10:00 - 10:30	Nyhus-Wantz Lecture				
10:30 - 11:00	Break & Exhibits/Poster Presentations				
11:00 - 12:30	<b>Session 10A: Guidelines and RCTs: What have we learned and what is needed?</b> Moderators: Robert Fitzgibbons, MD & Marc Miserez, MD	11:00 - 12:30	<b>Session 10B: Hernia and Social Media</b> Moderators: Andrew de Beaux, MD & Adrian Park, MD	11:00 - 12:30	<b>Session 10C: Scientific Abstracts</b> Moderators: Ajita Prabhu, MD & Manuel López Cano, MD, PhD
11:00 - 11:15	Challenge of developing and implementing guidelines - What have we learned? Maarten Simons, MD	11:00 - 11:15	International Hernia Collaboration: Embracing social media Brian Jacob, MD	11:00 - 11:15	AHSQC Resident Research Award: AHSQC-embedded randomized controlled trial - Telescopic dissection vs. balloon dissection for laparoscopic TEP inguinal hernia repair Luciano Guilherme Tastaldi, MD
11:15 - 11:30	Challenges of conducting a robust and ethical RCT William Hope, MD	11:15 - 11:30	Using technology and social connection to improve hernia techniques Paul Szotek, MD	11:15 - 11:30	AHSQC Resident Research Award: Comparison of outcomes after partial (PME) versus complete mesh excision (CME) Angela Kao, MD
11:30 - 11:45	Challenges for generating high quality data from a hernia registrar Ulrich Dietz, MD	11:30 - 11:45	Website development: Opportunity and responsibility Jérôme Loriau, MD	11:30 - 11:45	International Hernia Mesh Registry (IHMR) - 10 years Tim Tollens, MD
11:45 - 12:00	Hernia RCT's in the last year and research gaps David Sanders, MD	11:45 - 12:00	Connecting with patients through social media Talar Tejirian, MD	11:45 - 12:00	Outside facility resource utilization following open ventral hernia repair performed at a tertiary care facility Margaret Plymale, DNP, RN
12:00 - 12:30	Interactive discussion: RCT's - Clear definitions and standardized datasets are needed Robert Fitzgibbons, MD & Marc Miserez, MD	12:00 - 12:15	Protecting the patient when using social media: HIPAA and beyond Brent Matthews, MD	12:00 - 12:15	Ventral hernia in women of childbearing age - A systematic review of observational studies Erling Oma, MD
		12:15 - 12:30	Panel Q&A	12:15 - 12:30	Smoking not an independent risk factor for wound morbidity after open ventral hernia repair - An AHSQC analysis Clayton Petro, MD
12:30 - 1:30	Lunch & Learns				
1:45 - 3:15	<b>Session 11A: Patient Optimization and Patient-Driven Outcomes</b> Moderators: Archana Ramaswamy, MD & David Lomanto, MD, PhD	1:45 - 3:15	<b>Session 11B: Impact of Mesh</b> Moderators: Sharon Bachman, MD & Frederik Berrevoet, MD, PhD	1:45 - 3:15	<b>Session 11C: Scientific Abstracts</b> Moderators: Brian Jacob, MD & Pablo Ortega Deballon, MD, PhD



1:45 - 2:00	Patient advocacy Shirin Towfigh, MD	1:45 - 2:00	Reoperation after mesh repair Harry van Goor, MD, PhD	1:45 - 2:00	Is round ligament varicosity during pregnancy a precursor for the later development of inguinal hernias? The prospective analysis of the long term outcomes in 28 patients over 9 years Michael Lechner, MD
2:00 - 2:15	ERAS: Outcomes of ventral hernia pathways and multimodal pain treatment Jeremy Warren, MD	2:00 - 2:15	Intraperitoneal polypropylene mesh: Another perspective Claudio Brandi, MD	2:00 - 2:15	Groin hernia repair in women - Is there a best option for treatment? Results of a registry based propensity score matched analysis Franz Mayer, MD
2:15 - 2:30	Cognitive therapy and a multidisciplinary, patient-centered approach Bruce Ramshaw, MD	2:15 - 2:30	Mesh infection and mesh salvage Pilar Hernandez Granados, MD	2:15 - 2:30	Mid term results of a double-blind randomized clinical trial of mesh fixation with glue or sutures for Lichtenstein hernia repair: No differences in recurrence rate Carlos Hoyuela, MD
2:30 - 2:45	Smoking cessation and hernia repair outcomes: What is the evidence? Lars Jørgensen, MD, DrMSc	2:30 - 2:45	Experience in mesh explantations Robert Bendavid, MD	2:30 - 2:45	Outcomes and impact of laparoscopic inguinal hernia repair versus open inguinal hernia repair on healthcare spending and employee absenteeism Gurteshwar Rana, MD
2:45 - 3:00	Decision making for hernia repair: What factors are important to patients? Mike Liang, MD	2:45 - 3:00	Primary suture versus glued mesh augmentation Johannes Jeekel, MD	2:45 - 3:00	Incarcerated inguinal hernias - Analysis of 5209 emergency cases in the German hernia database "Herniated" Ralph Lorenz, MD
3:00 - 3:15	Panel Q&A	3:00 - 3:15	Panel Q&A	3:00 - 3:15	Effect of patient and surgeon age of utilization of laparoscopic inguinal hernia repair Andrew Bates, MD
3:15 - 3:45	Break & Exhibits/Poster Presentations				
3:45 - 5:00	<b>Session 12A: AHSQC</b> Moderators: Benjamin Poulouse, MD, MPH & Michael Rosen, MD	3:45 - 5:00	<b>Session 12B: Economic Considerations</b> Moderators: Gregory Dumanian, MD & Gabriell van Ramshorst, MD, PhD	3:45 - 5:00	<b>Session 12C: Scientific Abstracts</b> Moderators: Claudio Brandi, MD
3:45 - 3:50	Introduction Michael Rosen, MD	3:45 - 4:00	Supply cost containment: What are the options? Archana Ramaswamy, MD	3:45 - 4:00	An evaluation of tension measurements during retromuscular incisional hernia repair Paul Tenzel, MD
3:50 - 4:00	AHSQC benchmarks - How do we measure up? Benjamin Poulouse, MD, MPH	4:00 - 4:15	Prehabilitation and return on investment Sean Orenstein, MD	4:00 - 4:15	A new animal model in experimental hernia repair Alexander Petter-Puchner, MD
4:00 - 4:10	Primary fascial closure during laparoscopic ventral hernia repair - Long term outcomes Jacob Greenberg, MD, EdM	4:15 - 4:30	Mesh utilization and suture closure in Europe: Value analysis Jan Kukleta, MD, FMCH	4:15 - 4:30	A novel rabbit model of giant abdominal wall hernia and intra-abdominal hypertension Shuo Yang, MD
4:10 - 4:20	Venous thromboembolism reduction initiative Michael Rosen, MD	4:30 - 4:45	Healthcare reform and hernia repair: What makes sense for patients and surgeons? J. Scott Roth, MD	4:30 - 4:45	Peritoneal flap hernioplasty for reconstruction of large ventral hernias. Long term outcomes for 251 patients Bruce Tulloh, MD
4:20 - 4:30	AHSQC inguinal hernia repair - Preliminary outcomes David Chen, MD	4:45 - 5:00	Panel Q&A	4:45 - 5:00	Prospective randomized trial comparing laparoscopic ventral hernia repair using absorbable or non-absorbable fixation device Deborshi Sharma, MS, MRCS(Edin)

4:30 - 4:40	ORACLE decision support tool update Ivy Haskins, MD		
4:40 - 4:50	Patient reported outcomes in ventral hernia John Fischer, MD, MPH		
4:50 - 5:00	Q&A		
5:00 - 6:30	<b>Barracuda Tank (non-CME)</b> <b>Panelists:</b> Guy Voeller, MD, Bruce Ramshaw, MD, Arthur Gilbert, MD, B. Todd Heniford, MD & Brian Jacob, MD	5:00 - 6:30	<b>EHS General Assembly (non-CME)</b>

## Thursday, March 15, 2018

7:30 - 8:00	Breakfast				
8:00 - 10:30	<b>Session 13A: Complex Abdominal Wall Reconstruction</b> Moderators: Alfredo Carbonell, DO & Cesare Stabilini, MD, PhD	8:00 - 10:30	<b>Session 13B: Hernia Education and Skills Acquisition</b> Moderators: Jacob Greenberg, MD, EdM & Aali Sheen, MD	8:00 - 10:30	<b>Session 13C: Scientific Abstracts</b> Moderators: Kent van Sickle, MD
8:00 - 8:15	TAR: Current indications and physiology Yuri Novitsky, MD	8:00 - 8:15	Fascial closure/hernia prevention education Ralph Lorenz, MD	8:00 - 8:15	Incisional hernia rates in patients undergoing colectomy for benign vs. malignant disease Jenny Shao, MD
8:15 - 8:30	Anterior components separation: Current indications and best practices Allen Buenafe, MD	8:15 - 8:30	Ethical introduction of new techniques and financial stewardship Adrian Park, MD	8:15 - 8:30	Mesh sutured repairs of contaminated incisional hernias Steven Lanier, MD
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9:15 - 9:30	Acute evisceration: Salvage and damage control Gabrielle van Ramshorst, MD, PhD	9:15 - 9:30	Introducing a new technique into practice: Training your team Mercedeh Baghai, MD	9:15 - 9:30	Does transverse abdominis plane (TAP) block increase the risk of developing postoperative urinary retention after an inguinal hernia repair? Emanuele Lo Menzo, MD, PhD

9:30 - 9:45	Mesh placement in contaminated fields: Current best practices Claudio Birolini, MD, PhD	9:30 - 9:45	European Hernia School Wolfgang Reinpold, MD	9:30 - 9:45	Combined laparoscopic and open approach for flank hernia repair. Technique description and long-term outcomes of 16 cases Pedro Henrique Amaral, MD
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